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Home And School Assoc. Meeting

The January meeting of the Home and School Association was postponed until Thursday, February 4, as it was decided to have the meeting and travelling art display on the same evening.

This year we received a collection of silk screen prints. Since this type of art is comparatively new, Mrs. Bain read an explanation of how the work is done, and pointed out how this art may be used in home decoration, to print designs on curtains and other materials.

The pupils of Mrs. Sherback's room had a display of work they had done in their study of northern Canada. As part of the program, they represented "Canada's Northland" in the form of a radio broadcast in which each pupil represented a different phase of life in the north.

CHICKS

Once again the chick season is fast approaching, and whether plans for the spring of 1954 call for a few chicks or several hundred, now is the time to place orders with the hatcheries. Early orders have a choice of dates of delivery, choice of breed, and most hatcheries give a bonus of extra chicks if orders are placed at least one month in advance of date required. On the average, early hatched chicks do better and are more profitable than late hatched chicks.

Experience at the Lethbridge Experimental Station indicates that brooder houses can be of almost any shape or design, but chicks should not be overcrowded. Each chick requires six square inches of floor space until six weeks old. In other words, a 10x12 foot house will handle 240 chicks for six weeks, at which time the number of chicks should be reduced to 120. The house should be well built, insulated, free from draughts and well lighted and ventilated.

Coal, wood, oil, gas and electricity can all be adapted for brooder heating systems. Infra-red heat lamps hold much promise for small flock owners who have electric power available. One 250-watt bulb will provide sufficient heat for 75 to 100 chicks.

Either too much or too little heat has a serious effect on growing chicks. For the first week, brooder temperature should be maintained at 95 to 100 degrees above the floor, after which it may be lowered about 5 degrees per week until 85 degrees is reached. At this time chicks are old enough to stand lower temperatures for short periods. Too much heat has a tendency to retard feather growth. Automatic heat control by thermostat is most useful in avoiding wide temperature fluctuations.

To develop good chicks care should be taken to provide sufficient hoppers to give each chick one inch of feeding space for the first three weeks. From three to six weeks, two inches of feeding space are required, and over six weeks three inches. Chicks require a constant supply of good water. For the first six weeks, provide at least two half-gallon fountains for each hundred chicks.

Now for a few pertinent "don'ts." Don't overcrowd. Don't overheat. Don't underfeed. Don't take chances. Good chicks, combined with good brooding, lay the foundation for good pullets for the laying house and good cockerals to eat or sell.

Two trucks met on a country road just wide enough for one. The first driver, a scrawny little man, leaned out of his cab.

"Turn out, you!" he shouted. "If you don't, I'll do to you what I did to the last guy who wouldn't turn out for me!"

The second driver was muscular and weighed almost two hundred pounds, but did not care to have trouble. He pulled out. As the other driver's truck rumbled by, he yelled, "What'd you do to that other guy?"

"Turned out for him!"

Canada's public libraries stock some 6,000,000 books.

Regular Meeting Town Council

A council meeting was held last week with the mayor and all the councillors attended. There was not much business done judging by report of the minutes. There was a discussion regarding the water system and a letter from Electrical Contracting and Machinery Company was read. It was decided that the repair work of the Peerless pump would be left in the hands of the water committee.

The report of the R.C.M.P. for the month of December was accepted. Austin Horn was appointed returning officer for 1954. The appointment of an assessor was tabled until the next meeting. The meeting of the court of revision was also tabled for the next meeting.

The secretary's financial statement for the month of January was read and accepted and ordered incorporated in the minutes.

All the accounts received to date were referred to the finance committee and if found correct to be paid.

United Church W.A.

Mrs. G. Stott was hostess to the February meeting of the United Church W. A. last Wednesday afternoon.

President Mrs. Pugh conducted the meeting and it was opened with a prayer, singing of Theme song and repeating creed in unison.

The devotional period was given by Mrs. Hunter. Mrs. Pugh read a letter from a United Church missionary in Angola, Portuguese West Africa.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and letters were read from Mrs. J. R. McIntyre, superintendent of Mountview Service Home, Calgary; W. M. S. and Calgary Presbytery W. A.

A report was given on the presbytery W. A. Rally which was held in Knox United Church, Calgary in January.

The meeting decided on a miscellaneous shower for the U. C. Senior Citizens Home, Calgary.

Kindly give your shower gift to Mrs. Riddell who is looking after the articles donated.

Meeting closed with a prayer. Refreshments and a social time followed.

U.G.G. GRAIN GROWERS TAKES OVER ELEVATOR SYSTEM

Purchase of the country elevator system of the Midland and Pacific Grain Corp. Ltd., by the United Grain Growers Ltd. has been announced by George Edworthy, western division manager of the U.G.G.

The transaction includes 65 elevators located at 68 points—mostly in Alberta—together with annexes, a number of agents' dwellings, flour and coal sheds.

Acquisition of the Midland system will increase the number of elevators operated by United Grain Growers Ltd. in Western Canada to a total of 686, of which 368 are located in Alberta and the B. C. block of the Peace River River area. Owned by some 48,000 farmer members, the U.G.G. is Western Canada's oldest grain handling co-operative, having been organized in 1906.

The purchase has been confirmed by C. W. Roenisch, president and general manager of the Midland and Pacific Grain Co.

EVENTIDE HOME ITEMS

Here we have the month of January over, which has been somewhat cold and dreary and now February is here with more sunshine and the days are lengthening and getting brighter which gives one the idea that spring is just around the corner. Apart from that we are very comfortable here. It's a poor heart that never rejoices, eh?

Our Major and Mrs. Droom are always active in administering to the daily wants in the House such as the delivery of the mail and

other incidental items never letting the weather interfere. Such is the way of things in the Eventide Home. Our motto "Keep smiling please."

Three spinster sisters went out for a walk one evening just before retiring. Returning home, one stepped into her bedroom and screamed, "Oh, girls, someone's been trying my bed!"

The second sister hurried to the door of her room and gasped, "And someone has tried my bed too."

Third sister peered into her room, stood in the doorway and whispered softly "Goodnight now girls."

The "O-bomb" (over-population) is a far greater hazard to humanity than the atom and hydrogen bombs put together. This is the opinion of a professor who points out that each year the "O-bomb explosion" increases the human race by 25,000,000 newcomers. For the subsistence of this added mass of population at least 25,000,000 acres of arable land are required. The necessity of feeding these extra mouths could theoretically reduce the world to poverty and destroy mankind since most of the arable land is now under cultivation. The professor suggests increased production on available cultivated lands as one solution to this problem.

Shipping on Canadian waterways including canals, inland lakes and rivers, is open to all world countries on equal terms except in the case of the coasting trade.

These public meetings are liable to pass into the limbo of forgotten things and that would be a tragedy. They really are passing into the discard not only because of the preference of some of the speakers but because of the difficulty of drawing an audience into the village halls or community centres.

Arguments are not understood as well when they come over the air as they are when they come from the platform and there is no chance to ask questions or to have the particular subject of interest to the locality discussed.

The Public Meeting

People who live in a democracy may think that there is no danger of their system being destroyed.

It is the most triumphant force in the world today and they may think it always will be, if not changed by some outside force. However, totalitarian aggression is not the only danger. The greatest danger may be a loss of interest from within. Constant vigilance is the price of freedom.

At present, the chief interest is in the radio and television. There may be good programs but they are only pale shadows of the great public meetings and political debates of half a century ago. A photogenic person on television or a person with a good voice and a well prepared script on the radio may be entertaining but the public address in a public meeting has something more personal and intimate about it.

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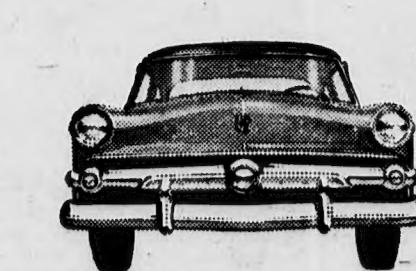
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Crow's Nest Pass Coal Mines Retain Reputation Of Western Canada's Largest Coal Field

Notwithstanding the growing severity of adverse factors, Southern Alberta's coal mining industry came through 1953 as an important producer of new wealth, its output of approximately two million tons of coal having a minehead value of \$11,500,000.

And, as has been the case for many years, this region accounted for more than a third of Alberta's total coal production and the Crow's Nest Pass retained its reputation of being western Canada's largest and most productive coal field.

During the past year the coal mining industry in Southern Alberta paid out more than \$5,500,000 in wages and salaries to its own employees and contributed substantially to the earnings of hundreds of others associated with the transportation and marketing of coal.

Nevertheless, the industry slipped again during the past year—though the ground it lost was not as serious as might have been expected in the face of the major problems harassing the industry in every part of Alberta.

Then entire province's coal production last year amounted to only 5,881,419 tons—the smallest output since 1939 and a reduction of almost three million tons from the all-time record year of 1946. The decline of 1,313,053 tons from the 1952 production of 7,194,472 ton, was the sharpest reduction experienced by the industry in a single year for decades.

The average number of men employed by Alberta's coal mining industry dropped from 7,084 in 1952 to 5,670 during the past year, and the average number of days worked declined from 190 in 1952 to 145 in 1953.

Despite its setbacks and disappointments during the past year however, the coal mining industry in Southern Alberta, or the entire province generally, has not suffered anything resembling crippling blows.

As a matter of fact, many officials of the coal mining industry now see an even better long-term future for their industry than before. This is so because of the nature of the adverse factors which have been forcing coal mining into shrinking its production and because of the prospects offered for the future with the development of coal turbine engines.

And in considering the long-term outlook for coal mining, it must be remembered that revised estimates have placed Alberta's known coal reserves at 47,874,300,000 tons—48 per cent. of Canada's known coal reserves and about an eighth of the world's entire coal deposits.—The Coleman Journal.

ST. JAMES, MANITOBA, POPULATION INCREASING

ST. JAMES, Man. — Statistical figures released by Dr. N. R. Rawson, medical director of health, show that the population of St. James at mid year 1953 stood at 20,557, an increase of almost 1,000 over the 1951 census figure of 19,561.

There are about 400 muscles in the human body.



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LEMON PUDDING

Ingredients:
½ cup granulated sugar 4 cups milk
6 tablespoons BENSON'S or 2 egg yolks, well-beaten
CANADA Corn Starch ½ cup lemon juice
¼ teaspoon salt 1 tablespoon grated lemon rind
2 egg whites, stiffly beaten

Method:
MIX sugar, BENSON'S or CANADA Corn Starch and salt in top of double boiler.
ADD milk slowly; mix until smooth.
PLACE over boiling water, cook until thick; stir constantly.
COVER, cool 10 minutes; stirring occasionally.
REMOVE from heat, pour over well-beaten egg yolks slowly; stir constantly.
RETURN to double boiler; cool 2 minutes longer, stir well.
REMOVE from heat; add juice and rind.
FOLD hot mixture slowly into stiffly beaten egg whites.
COOL, chill; serve with Custard Sauce.
YIELD: 8 servings.

CUSTARD SAUCE

Ingredients:
1 tablespoon BENSON'S or ¼ teaspoon salt
CANADA Corn Starch 2 egg yolks
¼ cup granulated sugar 2 cups milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Method:
COMBINE BENSON'S or CANADA Corn Starch, sugar and salt in top of double boiler.
ADD egg yolks, mix well; stir in milk slowly.
PLACE over boiling water, cook until thick (about 5 minutes); stir constantly.
COOL, add vanilla; chill. YIELD: 2½ cups.



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Funny and Otherwise

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A girl who was in love with a jockey, had persuaded her mother to see her finance ride in a race. Mother took up her position near the rails, and when the horses flashed past and disappeared, she snapped her mouth like a clamp.

"You ought not to marry that fellow," she said acidly. "I dislike a boor. I told him to look out for me, and when he passed he didn't even raise his cap."

The outraged farmer stormed into the living-room. "Who chopped down that cherry tree?"

His son hung his head and admitted, "I did, father. I cannot tell a lie. I chopped it down with this little hatchet." Whereupon the farmer gave the boy a thrashing.

"But, father," cried the son, "George Washington cut down a cherry tree when he was a boy, too, and when he was brave enough to admit it, his father didn't beat him."

"That is quite right," said the father grimly: "But when George Washington chopped down the tree, his father wasn't up it."

"I don't understand why a handsome boy like Donald would marry an ugly woman twenty years his senior."

"When you want bank notes you don't look at their dates!"

A bather had been rescued by a local fisherman. After artificial respiration had been used for some time he showed signs of life.

A bystander then came forward with a glass of brandy. Eyeing this eagerly, the bather muttered:

"Roll me over and get some more water out first."

"How did you compile your great dictionary?" the lexicographer was asked.

"Oh, it was something like having a quarrel with one's wife—one word led to another."

"Is it true that it's good luck for a black cat to follow you?"

"Depends whether you're a man or a mouse."

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The Annual Meeting Of Shareholders The Royal Bank of Canada

Canadian Export Trade, Domestic Living Standard, Endangered by "High Cost Economy". Costs must be Competitive with Foreign Producers, Says President

Flexibility needed to meet new conditions. Time ripe for dollar countries to show good faith by reducing trade barriers and red tape as aid to Britain in making pound convertible."

Good Press Abroad Encourages Complacency

"The means to our stability and prosperity involve an increasingly mature attitude on our part towards our future role in the society of nations. The amiable charge commonly levelled by critics at home and abroad that, as a nation, Canadians tend to be unduly conventional and complacent is not without foundation. These characteristics may actually be further encouraged by the good press we continue to get abroad. Yet nothing could be more dangerous than the bland assumption that as a people we are impressing the world with the superiority of our character and accomplishments."

"More correctly, perhaps, our situation is akin to that of an heiress who can never be sure that she is admired for herself and not merely for her wealth. Our great wealth of natural resources is an inheritance which, like an individual's inheritance, is evidence of good fortune rather than talent. We have still to prove that we can make the most of these natural resources in building a great nation."

"It is true that foreign investment is a relatively small part of Canada's gross public and private investment; but it is precisely this foreign investment that has provided in good measure the risk capital needed in resource development. This is the usual course of events in a rapidly growing country. Nevertheless, until we prove ourselves, it is safer I think to proceed on the unfaltering assumption that our popularity abroad is based not so much on what we are as on what we have."

"Canada so dependent for prosperity on a healthy flow of goods, services, and investment funds across her borders that the maintenance of favourable opinion abroad is an especially important consideration."

"But, if we are not to disappoint our friends abroad and even more important if we are not to fail in achieving the economic development promised by our great natural resources, we must adopt those long-run measures that remove or reduce certain special barriers to our economic growth. The most important of these barriers is the smallness of our population with a consequent narrowness of our national market."

and steadily improving, Britain can afford once more to consider freeing the pound sterling with the great advantage that now she will move from a position of strength rather than weakness.

"I think we can say that Britain and her partners in the sterling area, as well as most of her NATO partners in western Europe, have not only accepted convertibility as desirable in principle, but have in fact subjected themselves to the discipline in their domestic monetary and fiscal policy which is one of the prerequisites to convertibility."

"I believe the time has come for the dollar area to show evidence of good faith by reducing trade barriers both in the form of tariff duties and in the form of customs formalities and red tape. The dollar area must in addition show willingness to undertake certain responsibilities in the international monetary field."

DOLLAR AREAS' ROLE

"We seem nearer to convertibility today than we have been since the imposition of wartime exchange control throughout most of the world; but the prerequisites to convertibility have not changed."

"Since the end of the war the world's hopes for convertibility have waxed and waned with Britain's exchange reserves. Today with reserves at \$2,520 millions

involve the sacrifice of expediency to sound principle in a number of matters where the choice must be politically very difficult. But the ultimate reward is great; no less in fact than the growth of Canada to the economic stature she needs to take her place among the great nations of the world."

General Manager Reports Assets Over \$2.8 Billions

T. H. Atkinson, General Manager, in reviewing the bank's 1953 report, stated that the total assets of The Royal Bank of Canada have now reached the imposing total of \$2,895,856,189. This, he said, was a new high mark in Canadian banking history, and is the highest ever reported by any Canadian bank.

Deposits likewise had reached record totals, said Mr. Atkinson. They now stand at \$2,734,844,076, an increase of \$207,133,639 over the previous year. "It is encouraging to note," said Mr. Atkinson, "that Canadians generally continue to save a reasonable proportion of their incomes. The increase in deposits of the bank has been accompanied by the expansion in the number of accounts on our books. We now conduct over 2,350,000 accounts, and it is of interest to note that the number of deposit accounts in Canada has more than doubled since 1942."

Mr. Atkinson reported profits for the year had increased \$1,506,051 over the previous year. After providing for taxes, depreciation and dividends, the net profits for the year amounted to \$8,635,136. The bank's Reserve Fund now stands at \$70,000,000. This, the President noted, was for the first time in the bank's history, equivalent to twice the bank's Paid-up Capital. This year's increase in this fund, he said, had resulted from the transfer to it of not only a part of the year's earnings but also of \$12,000,000 from the bank's reserves for contingencies.

The bank's programme of branch improvement continued during the year. Construction of a new building to house its Calgary business was commenced, and a new building for its Hamilton Branch will be underway shortly. 6 new branches and 4 sub-branches were opened in Canada, and 3 branches and 4 sub-branches were opened abroad, bringing the total number of branches up to 793, of which 70 are in the foreign field.

ROYAL BANK ABROAD

Mr. Atkinson dwelt on the growing number of the bank's branches abroad, especially in the West Indies and British Guiana. The bank now operates 66 full-time and 4 subsidiary branches abroad, and now has under consideration the opening of two additional offices in the Caribbean area.

"Naturally the volume of our business abroad fluctuates with the trend of conditions in the many countries where we operate. From time to time exchange restrictions imposed in certain countries delay remittances but on the whole, over the long period your bank has operated abroad, a satisfactory solution has always been found to such temporary problems, and the contribution made to the overall earnings of the bank by the foreign division has always been worth while. It is, therefore, gratifying that I am in a position to report that profitwise and in other respects results have been excellent from our overseas division for the period under review."

"With respect to the general character of our business abroad, we continue our policy of wide distribution of risks and our portfolio of loans and investments is diversified and sound from the standpoint of liquidity."

PRAISE FOR STAFF

"The past year's business, the biggest in the history of Canadian banking, was built on precisely the same foundation as has served this bank so well ever since its first days. There is little spectacular or dramatic about it: there are no secret weapons in our armoury. The base of our success is the superior service given by our front line staff in courtesy, friendliness, helpfulness and genuine interest in our customers' welfare. The work of executive officers would be of little avail without it."

"Wherever we go, we hear from customers—some of them old-established, some new, and some casual—about how graciously they have been treated by our branch officers. That reputation is an asset beyond calculation, and in behalf of the executive I thank every member of the staff for his and her part in building it."

ULTIMATE REWARDS GREAT

"I have emphasized the seriousness of the problems we have to face both in the immediate and in the more distant future. This does not mean that I have anything but the most abundant faith in our ability as a nation to solve our problems; but I have thought it better to risk some emphasis than to encourage false hopes. The economic policy required to solve these problems will

involves the sacrifice of expediency to sound principle in a number of matters where the choice must be politically very difficult. But the ultimate reward is great; no less in fact than the growth of Canada to the economic stature she needs to take her place among the great nations of the world."

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AUNT MARTHA was so mad she felt like sitting down and having a good cry. It was all Joe's fault. Why, that man couldn't see an inch beyond his nose. Sunday was their golden wedding anniversary. Heavens to Betsy! She'd dropped enough hints. All the plans she'd made. Now they would have a nice quiet dinner Sunday; and she wouldn't say a word. When she phoned Jeanne to come over with the family, Jeanne had excused themselves by telling her that they were already invited out.

She looked out the kitchen window. Uncle Joe was busy getting his garden ready for planting. Spring was late this year. Aunt Martha remembered that morning fifty years ago; the apple trees had been a mass of white and pink blooms. She had been so excited, her knees knocked and she was positive everyone in the church could hear them. Joe's knees knocked, too. She could feel them as he stood beside her. He smiled, almost grinned at her, and they'd both felt better. How foolish and romantic and how long, long ago.

"Huh! Romantic!" she exclaimed. She remembered something. Joe had been twisting her about her old fur coat only last week.

"Guess I'll have to shoot a couple of rabbits and make a new one for you," he told her. Why hadn't she thought of it? Why, the old rascal. He was just as romantic as ever. She turned away from the window, her face wreathed in smiles. A fur coat. Now where would he hide anything like that. It was in the house, she was sure of that. First she would ice the cake while he was outside, then she would find where he had hidden the coat.

Joe came stamping into the kitchen, scattering dirt all over her clean floor. Aunt Martha had barely time to whip the partly iced cake into the pantry out of sight.

"Out of matches," Joe grumbled, reaching for the box and taking a handful. "I don't know what sort of tobacco they grow now-a-days, must be all the sprayin' they do. Maybe I should get me a new corn cob."

Aunt Martha wrinkled up her nose. "That would be an act of charity," she said with evident disbelief.

"What's wrong with it?" he demanded. "Why, a good cleanin' and I'll get years of use out of her." He knocked the bottle into the stove. Aunt Martha wished he'd hurry up and go. But Joe was in no hurry. Filling the pipe bowl, he tamped it home and got it drawing well before he made a move. "Well, better get back to work." As he was going out, he said something about women not appreciating the finer things

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THE TILLERS



—By Les Carroll



Unusual Gate Posts At Farm Entrance Near Rycroft, Alta.



—Photo courtesy of Herald-Tribune, Grande Prairie

... Gen Knezevich atop unique farm gate post

A few miles south and east of Rycroft, Alberta, two oddly shaped gate posts stand at the entrance to a farm overlooking a spruce-studded valley.

Those gate posts represent a lot of work for Jerry Knezevich and family.

It was about six months ago that Jerry was walking through the spruce fringing the stream that slides through the valley on one corner of his farm.

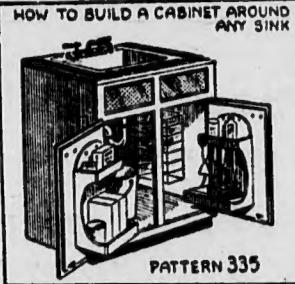
His eye was caught by a towering, misshapen tree with huge knarls running up and down the trunk.

Back home he went to report his "find" and detail his plan for a unique entrance to his farm home. Helped by other members of the family, he felled the tree by hand and sawed off two eight-foot lengths from the unusual trunk.

A tractor hauled the logs up the valley slope and to the farm.

Now, the gate posts are in place—peeled and ready for a coat of varnish in the spring. A picture of a bull's head will be mounted on each to give a final flourish to the unique entrance.

Home Workshop



While this sketch shows a cabinet for a small kitchen sink, the pattern includes variable dimensions for adapting the construction to a sink of any size; or to extend the cabinet along the side of the kitchen. Each step in construction is illustrated in large perspective drawings on pattern 335. The two containers for dish-washing supplies attached to the inside of doors are made from quarter-inch plywood. Tracing diagrams for these are in full size on the pattern. To get pattern 335 only, send name and address with 35c. And for the Kitchen Remodelling Packet which includes the sink pattern, send \$1.50 with your order.



This cabinet with swing-around shelves fits into a corner of the kitchen. No more searching for pots and pans in the dark when you install this swing-around job. Open the door and the whole shelf swings around into view. No more waste space when counters along two walls join at the corner. Dimensions on the pattern are variable to meet existing conditions in a used house as well as in a new house. The price of the corner cabinet No. 323 in the sketch is included with the Kitchen Remodelling Packet at \$1.50. Both packet and the corner pattern will be postpaid for \$1.85. Please print name and address and patterns will be mailed the day your order is received.

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Manitoba No. 3 Highway Surveyed For Reconstruction

CARMAN, Man.—A survey crew of the Manitoba Department of Public Works has been at work recently on the section of No. 3 Highway between Carman and Morden. Reconstruction of this part of No. 3 is understood to be on the program for this summer. This apparently settles the long-debated question as to the permanent route of the highway from Carman south. At a meeting at Roland last summer representatives of the various districts interested in the highway route unanimously agreed that the location of the highway should not be changed and urged the government to have it reconstructed on the present location as soon as possible.

Sexsmith Citizens Vote Overwhelmingly For Water, Sewer

SEXSMITH, Alta.—In the largest turnout of voters on a single question in village history, Sexsmith ratepayers voted overwhelmingly in favor of installation of a sewer and water system.

Fifty-nine voted in favor of the bylaw and twenty against.

The affirmative vote meant that the last hurdle had been surmounted in a two-year effort to bring sewer and water to the village. Construction will likely get underway in the spring.

NERVOUS COYOTES?

FORT MACLEOD, Alta.—Residents of the McBride Lake district were surprised to see some 50 mallard ducks walking on the ice of the lake. At the edge of the lake lurked a coyote, apparently fearful of chasing the ducks over the ice.

Today is yesterday's pupil.

IN SASKATCHEWAN

5,600 Acres Seeded For Forage In '53

REGINA.—Acreages seeded to forage in 1953 by the provincial conservation and development branch exceeded 5,600 acres, J. A. Arnot, director of the branch, said today. This brings the total forage crop seedings in the last five years to about 40,000 acres.

The greatest amount of seeding on individual projects was done at the Squaw Creek forage project near Craik, where 1,220 acres were seeded, and at the Mortlach forage project west of Moose Jaw where 1,243 acres were seeded. The Mortlach area produced well over 7,000 tons of fodder this year on land which 15 years ago was mostly drifting sand.

The Spangler irrigation project in the southwest corner of the province produced 1,000 tons of hay this year; 890 acres are now seeded to forage crops. At Vidora irrigation project 980 acres are now seeded to forage and will come into production soon, while 620 acres were seeded to forage crops by the C and D branch this year in the Meyronne reclamation project southwest of Moose Jaw.

Other projects where acreages were seeded to forage crops by the branch included Kealey Springs, southwest of Swift Current; Maple Bush, south of Elbow; Souris in the southeast; Buffalo Coulee near Kindersley and French Flats south of Saskatoon.

The opossum's habit of "playing dead" is a nervous reaction over which the animal himself has no control, the heartbeat being slowed sharply.

The tapir of the tropical countries is closely allied to the horse and rhinoceros.

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Butterscotch-Pecan Cookies

Grease cookie sheets. Preheat oven to 350° (moderate). Mix and sift twice 2½ c. once-sifted pastry flour (or 2¼ c. once-sifted all-purpose flour), 2 tsps. Magic Baking Powder and ½ tsp. salt. Cream ¾ c. butter or margarine and gradually blend in 1½ c. lightly-packed brown sugar; add 2 well-beaten eggs part at a time, beating well after each addition; mix in ¼ c. chopped pecans. Add flour mixture to creamed mixture part at a time, combining thoroughly after each addition. Drop dough by spoonfuls, well apart, on prepared cookie sheets; flatten with the floured tines of a fork. Bake in pre-heated oven 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from pan immediately. Yield—6 dozen cookies.

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Public education in Canada is under the jurisdiction of the provinces.

Baby carriages were made in Canada as early as 1885.

HERE AND THERE

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Farquharson and son Donald of Calgary spent Saturday in town on business. While here they looked up a lot of their old friends.

The mild weather of the past week played havoc with the ice in the rinks in town. In the curling rink the ice will have to have several good floods plus cold weather before curling can be resumed.

The lady curlers were to have started their annual bonspiel Monday since there was no ice the event had to be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen C. House of Okotoks spent the first part of this week in town visiting friends.

CARD OF THANKS

The recent bereavement which has visited our home has brought to us a greater appreciation of our friends. Such kindness and neighborly thoughtfulness can never be forgotten.

H. JAMES and FAMILY

The weather was so nice and warm all of last week it made one think spring was here. But that has not fooled anyone since all know from experience of past winters with warm spells cold weather came back with a vengeance.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Schmidt left Monday morning for Arizona

and before returning home may go to Florida. They expect to be away for about a month.

The annual meeting of Gleichen taxpayers was held Monday evening at the school. The number of taxpayers attending was very small owing to other attractions. J. H. Beach complimented the council on what they had accomplished during the past year and wondered why the people of the town didn't take more interest in Gleichen.

Next Monday, Feb. 5th, is nomination day for two members of the town council. Al Wilson and Elmer Bolinger's term as councillors has expired.

GOSPEL SERVICE

Will be held in the Lutheran Church every Sunday beginning at 3 p.m.

The speaker is Rev. Clark of Arrowwood.

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TOO MUCH INFERIOR SEED

T'S DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!
The results of seed grain surveys (seed Drill Surveys) made in recent years by the Provincial Departments of Agriculture in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, show that far too many western farmers are using seed that is decidedly inferior in quality.

Believe It or Not! The results of the 1953 Saskatchewan seed grain survey are almost unbelievable. They show that no less than 70% of the wheat seed, 55% of the seed of oats, and 82% of the barley seed used by the farmers of Saskatchewan in 1953 was definitely inferior in quality. Provincial surveys have shown that the farm seed situation is little, if any, better in Manitoba and Alberta than it is in Saskatchewan. High weed seed content is the main reason why so many farm seed samples are unfit for seeding purposes.

A Solution. One solution to the present "poor seed" problem in Western Canada lies in the use by more farmers of Registered and Certified seed. There's plenty of this high grade seed available, and it is reasonably priced. This year, let's not allow thousands of bushels of Registered and Certified seed to be sold as commercial grain.

Purchasing Good Seed. Recently, the Canadian Wheat Board announced that any farmer wishing to purchase up to 100 bushels of Registered or Certified seed of wheat, oats or barley for seeding purposes through his provincial Crop Improvement Association may, in payment for same, deliver in excess of his quota, up to 200 bushels of commercial grain. The grain delivered, however, must be the same kind as the Registered or Certified seed being purchased, and must not exceed it in value. On behalf of provincial Crop Improvement Associations elevator agents are authorized to take orders from farmers wishing to obtain Registered or Certified seed. Let's plant only high grade, cleaned and treated seed in 1954.

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- To obtain for the people of the province a fair share of returns from oil production.
- To assure fair and generous treatment for the owner of surface rights.

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